This Department has been vigorously pursuing the matter with the Railways for procurement of wagons through Wagon India Ltd. (WIL) only instead of tender system.

Indo-US joints exercises

1824. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the objectives of Indo-US joint Army, Navy and Air Exercises;

(b) the details of the exercises undertaken in 1994 and 1995 of each wing of the armed forces; and

(c) whether such joint exercises are being contemplated with the armed forces of any other countries and if so, the details and if not, why these are confined with only the US?

THE MINISTER OF SATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Government are pursuing a policy of establishing and enhancing cooperation in the defence sector, with various friendly countries, including the USA. Defence cooperation with different countries, including the USA, encompasss, inter-alia, reciprocal visits, exchange of observes during exercises, training programmes and joint military exercises.

(b) Service-wise details of joint exercises undertaken with different countries during 1994 and 1995 (upto July) are as under:—

1994	1995	
Army	—	1
Air Force	—	—
Navy	6	5

(c) Yes, Sir. The interest of national security precludes disclosure of any further details.

Rocket Firing by Pakistan

1825. SHRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan troops fired 10 rockets across the border in Poonch and Rajouri districts in the last week of July;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the response of Government to this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI): (a) and (b) As per the information available, 7 Rockets were fired by Pakistani tropops/ terrorists supported by Pakistan from across the Line of Control in Poonch and Rajouri districts during the last week of July, 1995, resulting in the death of one civilian.

(c) A constant watch is being maintained on the situation in the area and necessary measures are being taken to maintain appropriate defence preparedness to thwart any misadventures from across the LOC.

Law and Order Situation in J&K

1826. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pelased to refere to the answer to Unstarred Question 488 given in the Rajya Sabha on 3rd August, 1995 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that because of lack of unified command and multiplicity of authorities in Jammu and Kashmir, it has not been found possible to contain the insurgency effectively; and

(b) if so, what action Government propose to create a unified command in that State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI): (a) and (b) In view of the nature and scale of violence being perperated, with active

assistance from across the border, in Jammu & Kashmir, a number of forces and agencies have had to be deployed to enable the State Government to effectively contain the same. Arrangements have been made at the State level for bringing in coordination between the operations of the various forces/agencies which are being continuosly monitored, reviewed and stremlined as necessary. As a result, even though desperate attempts are being made to keep violence and terrorist activities at a high level, there is a definite improvement in the overall situation. There will be no let up in the continuing efforts of the Government in this direction.

Situation in J&K due to Terrorism

1827. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of property destroyed till date since terrorist spurt in Jammu and kashmir;

(b) the expenditure incurred on maintaining law and order in the state; and

(c) the number of persons migrated to other States in the wake of terrorism?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI):

(a) As per the information made avilable by the State Government, in addition to thousands of private houses and shops, etc., the following property has been damaged/destroyed till date in terrorist violence in Jammu and Kashmir.

Govt. Buildings	Educational Institutions	Bridges
1184	663	331

(b) It is not possible or feasible to segregate and indicate specifically the expenditure incurred in the State in the maintenance of law and order.

(c) According to available information, 21,198 Kashmir families have migrated and registered themselves in other States of the Country in the wake of terrorist violence in Jammu & Kashmir.

12.00 NOON

[The Deputy Chairman in the Chair]

Notification of the Ministry of Industry (Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): Madam I lay on the Table, under subsection (6) of Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Industry (Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion) Notification S.O. No. 641 (E), dated the 19th July, 1995, publishing the Cement (Quality Control) Order, 1995. *(Placed in Library, See No. Lt-8001995)]*

Notification of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Personnal and Training)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENASIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): I lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension (Department of Personnel and Training under